

The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul



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Pray For Ukraine

Happy Mother's day!

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HAPPY
Mother's
DAY

**Tribute to all
the Moms
Out there!**

This is for all the mothers, who are being nominated to be recognized as the best Mom of the Year! This is for all the mothers who

build their lives around their children and family activates.

To all the scout moms, soccer, baseball, theater, cheerleading, dancing moms, bus moms, and take care of this and more Moms! To all of moms who's children have grown up. This is to all of the moms whose children have become their world! This is for all the mothers who have stayed up through the whole night with sick baby in their arms, wiping the runny noses with tissue, measuring the temperature, giving the meds and whispering into

their baby's ear, "It's OK honey, Mommy's here. Mommy has got you! You'll be alright!"

This is for all the mothers who go out with a diaper or a kid's toy in their purse.

This is for all the mothers who teach their sons how to cook and their daughters how to hammer a nail.

This is for mothers who put teddy bears, flags or flowers on their children's graves.

This is for all of the mothers, who never had their own children, but have mothered many.

This is for mothers whose children have gone astray, who can't find the words to reach them.

This is for all the mothers who sent their children to college and for days and days can't help themselves but think how their babies are doing there.

This is for young mothers stumbling through nursing, diaper changes and sleepless nights. And this is for mothers of grown up kids who can never learn how to let them go and they never will, because they can't live without their kids.

This is for all mothers who turn their heads at an instance, when they hear a call "Mom?" in a crowded place, even though their kids are away in school or all grown up.

This is for all of you MOMS! So just hang in there. Be there for us, your children! You are strong! We know you are!

You have strength, which astonishes people at times. You bring forth children, overcome the pain, make all the problems go away, have healing kiss on a bruised knee or a broken heart.

You have strong faith, when others fall apart. You pray constantly, but not for yourselves, for us your children, for their success.

You trust God's guidance and support.

You stay strong in sustaining the families, providing happiness, love and delight.

You smile when you want to scream,

sing when you want to cry,

cry when you are happy and laugh when you are nervous or sad.

You believe in us, holding our backs, promoting our happiness, building the success

not waiting for a thank you or a nice gesture in your address.

You are our first doctors, the chefs, the maintenance, the psychologists, the masterminds of the family future, the go to, the always be there for you, because you are a MOM.

Happy Mother's Day!

To the reader:

Don't be silent today. Pray for your Mom, Grandma, Godmother.
Honor the day. Say a word of support.
Express your love. Your gratitude.
You are your Mother's child. Honor her today!

Remaining in the love of Our Lord and God Jesus Christ,

Fr. Vasyi

"Dear Mother"

I'm writing you to tell you that I love you
Something I hardly ever do.
I never tell you enough how much I love you and
It's something I must do.

I need to let you know mother how much
You really mean to me
So I'm telling you now you mean the world to me.
I need to thank you for all you do for me.

Your unconditional love toward me means a lot to me.
You've never turned your back on me and
I know it's something you'll never do.
Anytime I need someone to talk to
You're always there to help me through
And anytime I need a favor you always seem
To be there, too
There's nothing in this world that I could do
To pay you back for all you do.

When God gave me to you,
That's the best thing he could ever do,
So this poem is dedicated to you
Because I don't know how else to say
Thank You.

— Herman Vymislicky



Recap of Teen Class - May 4, 2025

Once again our Sunday School time was short due to our teens helping with serving for the Chicken and Lamb Dinner. However, they were thoughtful and cooperative as we shared the importance of last Sunday's scripture regarding St. Thomas, with a brief handout quoting this scripture. Our discussion centered on "**doubt**".

First it was that of St. Thomas who acknowledged his doubt to the Apostles and Jesus before being asked to place his hand at Jesus' side and then he responded with, "My Lord and my God" and his doubt was gone.

We shifted our discussion to the "doubts" in our own personal lives, in particular those beyond our spiritual worship. We discussed that as they mature and become more independent, they will often need to assess the doubts in their lives, perhaps without the guidance of their parents, having to make their own judgment. How will they handle these doubts? Will they reflect on their spiritual faith and/or the teaching of their parents to help in their judgment?

Unfortunately, we did not have time for the students to continue with their sharing but perhaps it can be continued at another time. Later that day, in reflection of our discussion, I couldn't help examine how I handle my own doubts.

Christ Is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen! Ms. Pat

Mothers of the Church Fathers

When we ponder early church history, our minds naturally focus on the Church *Fathers*. Sadly, we normally fail to consider the Church *Mothers*. In our modern world, where the worth and role of women is often debated—and demeaned—it is helpful to learn from church history.

When discussing the great Church Fathers, names like the three Cappadocian Fathers (Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, and Gregory of Nazianzus) come to mind, as do John Chrysostom and Augustine. However, in most cases, we have forgotten their mothers: Emmelia the mother of the Cappadocian Fathers, Nonna, the mother of Gregory of Nazianzus; Anthusa, the mother of John Chrysostom; and Monica, the mother of Augustine. These women played crucial role in up brining and forming these future pillars of the church. To them we should express our gratitude and honor.

Announcements

Parish Council usually meets once a month on the second Sunday of the month. The next Council meeting will take place today Sunday May 18, 2025.

Guests are welcome. If you would like to participate at the council meeting, please let any of the officers know.

Sunday's Second Collection

Sunday's Second Special Collection is dedicated each month to a different cause: Month May is dedicated to Parish Scholarship Fund.



Liturgical Schedule



Sunday
May 11
8:45am Matins
9:30am Hours
**10:00am Divine
Liturgy**

Fourth Sunday of Pascha, of the Paralyzed Man. Tone 3 Hieromartyr Mocius (Mucius) (295). Holy Equals-to-the Apostles Methodius (885) and Cyril (869), first teachers of the Slavs. Ven. Sophronius, recluse of the Kyiv Caves (13th c.).
Matins (4): Lk. 24:1-12
Acts 9:32-42; Jn. 5:1-15; To Equals-to-the Apostles: Heb. 7:26-8:2; Mt. 5:14-19;

**Saturday
May 17
6:00pm**

Vespers

Sunday
May 18
8:15am Matins
9:00am Hours
9:30am
Divine Liturgy

**Fifth Sunday of Pascha. Tone 4
The Samaritan Woman.** Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seven Ecumenical Councils. Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra and seven virgin-martyrs: Alexandra, Tecusa, Claudia, Phaine, Euphrasia, Matrona, and Julia (303). Martyrs Peter, Dionysius, Andrew, Paul, Christina (250).
Matins (7): Jn. 20:1-10;
Acts 11:19-26, 29-30; Jn. 4:5-42

Seven Day Vigil Candles

- For the health and quick recovery of Sub-deacon Dennis Rehr by Fr. Vasyl
- For the health & God's blessings of Dennis Rehr by Gbur & Lang Families
- For the health of Mike & Pat Beck by John & Mary Jo Grzynski
- For the health of Mather Alla by John & Mary Jo Grzynski
- For the health and God's blessings of Pat and Mike Beck by Gbur & Lang Families
- For improved health and healing for Dennis Rehr by Pat Wolsko
- For improved health and healing for Michael & Pat Beck by Pat Wolsko
- For health of Larry Pierog by Pat Wolsko
- For the health of Patti Faye by John Batura
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- In loving memory of my mother, Emilie Larson and grandmothers, Winifred Larson & Amalia Milos
~Ted Larson
- In loving memory of my mother-Gloria Kuzemka, Godmother-Vera Dychkewich, grandmothers- Anna Arendt & Anna Kuzemka & great grandmothers-Anna Tereshko & Johanna Arendt.
~Karen Larson



Donations in the mail

Sharon Burger-Zellinger in memory of my mother Ollie Kuzanek on Mother's day —\$250.00

50/50 Club

The winner for the month of April was Ukrainian School Barvinok. Next drawing will take place **on Sunday May 25, 2025**

We encourage to buy tickets for the whole year for a discounted price of \$65.00. If you would like to buy for one or several months the ticket is \$6.00 for a month. You can win \$250.00.

All of the proceeds go to College Scholarship Fund of our parish. Support children of our parish family.

For more info please see Ivan Bryndzia & Vitalii Kulyk

Prayer Corner for the Month of May



We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Nina Gregosanc & family, Larry Pierog, Pat Beck. Mark, Roman, Judy Broud, Joshua Mark, Mary Wisniowski, Mary Pirtle, Nathan, Gail, Allie Branch, Mike Moran, Christopher Flavin, Even, Edward, Bob Lewandowski, Michael Melnyk, Lilia, Andy, Bohdan, Ralph Palm, David, Irine, Zoriana, Lev, Alla Grzynski, Kathy Grzynski, Nicole, John & Patti, Barbara Patronik, Barbara & Katie Bruce, Michael Kimak, Chloe McKinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Dorothy Seliga, Halyna & Wolodymer Kashpar, Mykola, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Tina & Frankie, Alexander, Anatoli & Pamela, Janet, Sam and Natalia.

Pray for soldiers in Ukraine: Maksym, Taras, Yaroslav, Pavlo, Slavko, Mikola, Victor, Taras, Yuriy, Stepan, Volodimer, Mykola, Svitlana, medic Stella, Oleg, Yuriy, Dmitro, Bohdan, Roman, Mykola, Kostia, Vitaliy, missing in action Volodimer, Taras, Mykola, wounded Roman, prisoner Taras.

Pray for Our expecting mother:

Myroslava, Maria, Michelle, Natalia & Evnehia.

If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, and you want to add them to the prayer corner, please notify Fr. Vasyl

Bible Study

Next Bible Study will take place on Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 pm.

Via Zoom. We are going to work on family tree of Jesus Christ and Psalms.

Resources; Orthodox Study Bible.

If you are interested in joining the study, please see Fr. Vasyl

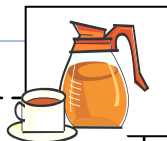


Memorial Service



May 25— In memory of all of those who reposed in the Lord in the month of May.

Coffee Hour Schedule



Sponsored coffee hours

You can sponsor coffee hour monetarily by donating \$50.00 to cover the cost of one coffee hour. If you would like to volunteer, please let PM Olenka or Fr. Vasyl know:

May 11— Mother's Day Brunch men are cooking

May 18- Nina Gregosanc in memory of husband Vince

May 25 — open

June 1— open

June 8— open

June 15 — open

June 22 — open

Save the Date

Sunday June 8 — Pentecost—*First Confession*

Sunday, July 13 — Parish Feast Day. *Visit of Archbishop Daniel*

Saturday August 16 — *Annual Festival*

Sunday September 7— Chicken & Pork Roast Dinner

Selfreliance Association



Безкоштовне виповнення усіх документів для новоприбулих (Social Security, Work permit, Benefits)

Кожної Середи у Церковній залі з 9:00-17:00. За інформацією просимо звертатись до Пані Матки Оленки Сендега “Асоціація Самопоміч.” або за телефоном (773) 692-1010

ESL Classes

ESL Announcement:

ESL sessions have resumed in the church hall every Thursday at 6:30pm. For more information please see Pat Wolsko.

Безкоштовні ESL класи для усіх бажаючих кожного Четверга о 18:30 вечора у Церковній залі. Дотаковою інформацією просимо звертатися до о. Василя або Пані Матки Оленки.